M/T ATHOS I NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

RESTORATION IDEA FORM *

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Acquire one or more of four properties along the west side of the Delaware River in Philadelphia. The properties

Address	Size (Acres)	Owner
Milnor St.	3.8	River's Edge Memorial Center
3101 E. Hedley	21.2	Hanoverian, Inc.
3100 Orthodox	9.6	Atlantic Metals
5000 Richmond St.	20.0	Wolf Investments

A ten-mile public greenway corridor along the Delaware Riverfront from Port Richmond to Torresdale is a major feature of the City's New River City revitalization plans. Land acquisition is required to bring parcels into public ownership, after which greenway development can occur, including a walking/bike trail, other public amenities and facilities, and restoration of the natural areas along the riverbank. The Milnor St. property (see attached map) is immediately adjacent to Lardner's Point, another project site for which a M/T Athos / Natural Resource Assessment form was submitted. Acquisition of the Milnor St. property would allow for the expansion of the Lardner's Point project and associated habitat restoration.

Acquisition of any of these properties will increase public access and recreational fishing opportunities as well as provide opportunities to restore tidal marsh, floodplain forest and other habitat types.

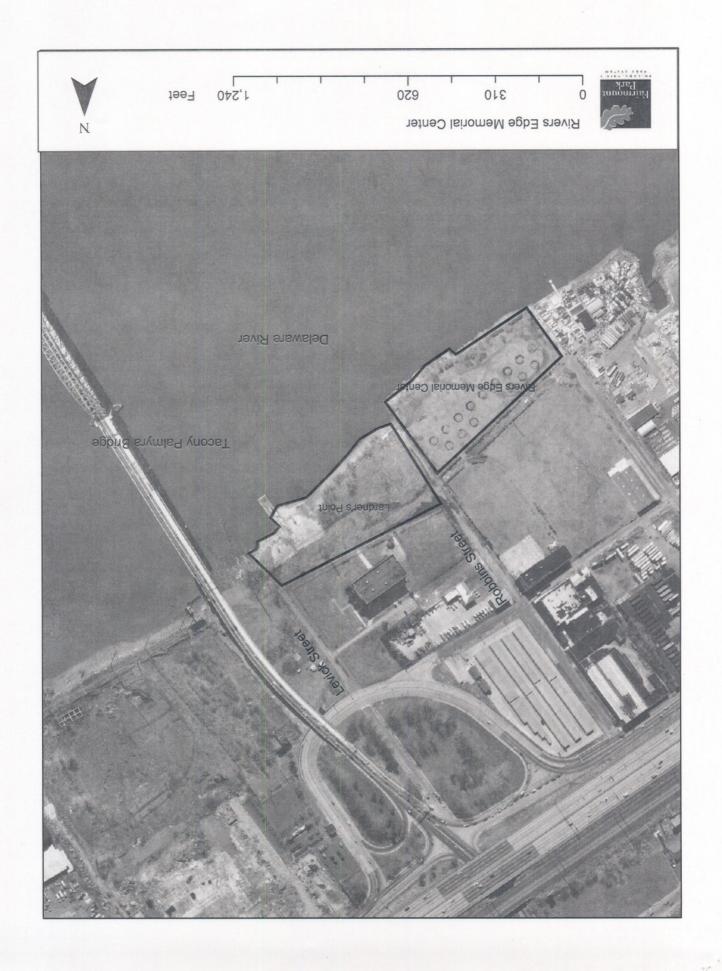
Contacts: Please provide names, addresses, and phone numbers of people knowledgeable about the restoration idea or projects.

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME!

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Lardner's Point is along the west side of the Delaware, immediately downstream of the Tacony-Palmyra Bridge (between Levick St. and Robbins St.), in Philadelphia. The 4.5 acre riverfront site is a former coal holding facility for the adjacent Lardner's Point Pump Station (PWD). Presently there is no public access to the site, or to any riverfront site nearby. A project plan to create a public park on the site is 100% complete. (See attached plan sheet.) Components of the plan include: demolition and removal of concrete and other materials; construction of an overlook and refurbishment of a fishing pier at the river's edge; bank restoration; restoration of tidal marsh; establishment of riverbank forest; and creation of numerous other habitat types on the floodplain (i.e., wet meadow, wet shrub/scrub, coastal plain river bank forest, dry meadow, dry scrub/shrub); a pedestrian walkway; a native plant entrance garden and interpretive signage. The estimated project cost is \$1.3 million. Funding for the project has not been identified to date. The future Kensington & Tacony Bike Trail will traverse the site. The site is owned by the City and will soon be managed by Fairmount Park Commission.

The project will compensate for wetland damages by restoring high and low tidal marsh, wet meadows and other habitat types. In addition the project will enhance a riparian area and open a new key public access point to the Delaware River, complete with amenities such as picnic tables and benches. The pier will be an excellent fishing location. Proximity to the bridge will make the site readily accessible to both PA and NJ residents.

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